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In re Patent Application of:

Missoum Moumene et al.

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Application No.: 10/606,200

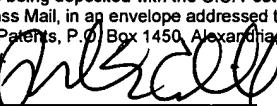
Art Unit: 3732

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Examiner: E. C. Robert

For: **LOCKING CAP ASSEMBLY FOR SPINAL
FIXATION INSTRUMENTATION**

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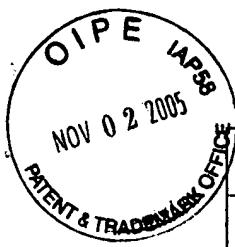
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2005 and as an Appendix to the Amendment dated October 31, 2005, enclosed herewith are two (2) sheets of replacement drawings (FIGS. 8A-8D) for the above-identified patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Applicant(s): Missoum Moumene and Ian Burgess

Invention: LOCKING CAP ASSEMBLY FOR SPINAL FIXATION INSTRUMENTATION

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment w/ replacement drawings in the above-identified application.
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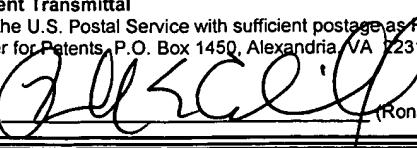
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